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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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## BANKS.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**PAID-UP CAPITAL,**.....5,000,000 Dollars.  
**RESERVE FUND,**.....1,800,000 Dollars.

**COURT OF DIRECTORS.**  
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.  
Deputy Chairman—Hon. W. KESWICK.  
E. R. BRILLIOT, Esq., WILHELM REINER, Esq.,  
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq., F. D. SARSON, Esq.,  
H. HOFFMANN, Esq., W. S. YOUNG, Esq.,  
A. McIVER, Esq.

**CHIEF MANAGER.**  
—Hongkong,.....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.  
**MANAGER.**  
—Shanghai,.....LEWIS CAMERON, Esq.

**LONDON BANKERS.**—London and Country.

**HONGKONG.**  
**INTEREST ALLOWED.**

**ON Current Deposit Account** at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

**For Fixed Deposits:**—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

**LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.**  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

**T. JACKSON,**  
Chief Manager.  
Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

## NOTICE.

**ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.**

**THE AGENCY** of this BANK at Foochow will be CLOSED and WITHDRAWN from 1st July next.  
Current Deposit Accounts and Fixed Deposit Receipts will be PAID there AT ONCE with INTEREST to Date, or transferred to this Branch at the Exchange of the Day at the option of Constituents.

**GEO. O. SCOTT,**  
p. Manager.  
Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

**COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.**

(Incorporated 17th & 18th March, 1848.)  
**RECOGNISED** by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1863.

**CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP,**.....\$3,200,000.  
**RESERVE FUND,**.....\$800,000.

**HEAD OFFICE**—14, Rue Bignon, PARIS.

**AGENCIES AND BRANCHES** at:  
LONDON, BOULBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MANZANILLO, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, BARKOW, HANTS, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW.

**LONDON BANKERS:**  
**THE BANK OF ENGLAND.**  
**THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.**

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.  
**E. G. VOUILLEMONT,**  
Manager, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Banks.

**CHARTERED MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.**

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

**THE following Rates of Interest** are allowed on Fixed Deposits:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

**H. H. NELSON,**  
Manager.  
Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

**CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.**

**CAPITAL,**.....\$300,000.  
**RESERVE FUND,**.....\$150,000.

**THE BANK OF ENGLAND.**  
**THE CITY BANK.**  
**THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.**

**THE BANK'S BRANCH** in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

**RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.**

**ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS,** 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

**ON FIXED DEPOSITS.**  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

## Entertainment.

**GARRISON THEATRE.**

**BY** Kind Permission of His Excellency the MAJOR-GENERAL, COMMANDING, and under Patronage of LIEUT.-COL. GEDDES and OFFICERS 27th INFANTRY BATTALION, the

**INNISKILLING ORISTY MINSTRELS** beg to announce to the Garrison and the Public their intention of giving two PERFORMANCES

**IN THE ABOVE THEATRE,**  
**THIS EVENING,**  
the 15th JULY, 1879.

**For the benefit of the Widows and Orphans**  
CAUSED BY THE CAPE WAR.

**Programme.**  
SONGS,  
COMIC SONGS,  
CLOG DANCE,  
CORNET SOLO,  
COMIC DUET,  
"THE ZULU WARRIORS,"  
NEGRO FARCE,  
"OLD HUNKS."

To conclude each Evening with the PLANTATION WALK ROUND

**"WHOSE DAT FOOT A BURNING."**

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel GEDDES and OFFICERS, a portion of the Band of 27th Inniskillings will attend.

**Prices of Admission:**  
Front Seats.....One Dollar.  
Second do.....50 Cents.  
Third do.....25 "

Tickets can be obtained at the OFFICERS' Mess, SERGEANTS' MESS, CANTERES, R.A., and 27th Inniskillings, and at the Doors on the Nights of Performance.

**Doors Open** at.....8.30 p.m.  
**To Commence** at.....9.00 "

**PUNKERS** will be kept in motion during the Performance.

**"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."**  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879. j716

## Intimations.

**WANTED** for the SAVERS' HOME, A STEWARD. Apply to the Under-signd.

**H. G. THOMSETT,**  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j718

**NOTICE.**

**THE** Ward Room Officers of H.M.S. Pegasus are not RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS that may be incurred by ROBERT DOLGUE, late Ward Room Steward of the Pegasus.

Hongkong, July 14, 1879. j721

**NOTICE.**  
FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, Dr. EASTLACK will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

## Intimations.

## EX LATE ARRIVALS.

**CHILDREN'S BOOKS,** Latest Editions.  
**CAVENDISH ON WHIST.**  
**POLE'S THEORY OF WHIST.**  
**WALKER'S CORRECT CARD.**  
**BALBRIGGAN UNDERSHIRTS** (A Novelty).  
**WIRE RAT TRAPS.**  
**BULL'S EYE LANTERNS.**  
**BATH SPONGES.**  
**WHITE BRO'S PORTLAND CEMENT.**

**LAWN TENNIS BATS, BALLS AND NETS.**  
**LAWN BOWLS, QUITS AND OTHER GAMES.**  
**Scotch Home-made JAMS AND JELLIES.**  
**PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.**  
**ICE-PITCHERS AND PAILS.**  
**AUTOMATON UMBRELLAS.**  
**French BOOTS AND SHOES.**  
**English BOOTS AND SHOES.**

**CHRISTY'S BLACK AND DRAB HATS.**  
**"YOU DIRTY BOY."**  
**COPE'S GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.**  
**American GOLDEN LEAF TOBACCO.**  
**Wall-Seasoned CIGARS.**  
**MEERSCHAUM PIPES AND CIGAR TUBES.**  
**POCKET-KNIVES.**  
**QUININE.**  
**CONSTABULARY REVOLVERS.**  
**SPIRIT LEVELS.**  
**New Style CHIT BOOKS.**

**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**

Hongkong, June 19, 1879.

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**THE** Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 25th Instant, at 3.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**LOUIS HAUSCHILD,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j715

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE.**

**THE** Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th Instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**LOUIS HAUSCHILD,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j716

**NOTICE.**

**SUN SHING** has REMOVED to No. 62, QUEEN'S ROAD, Opposite the CHARTERED BANK.

Hongkong, June 24, 1879. j724

**HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**THE** Twenty-sixth Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Office of the Company, No. 50A Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 29th July Instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**P. A. DA COSTA,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, July 12, 1879. j723

**HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE.**

**THE** Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 29th Instant, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**P. A. DA COSTA,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, July 12, 1879. j723

**CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**THE** Thirtieth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be Held at the HONG KONG, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 31st Instant, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring dividends.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
**W. H. BAY,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, July 8, 1879. j721

## NOTICE.

**A** MEETING of the CONSULTING COMMITTEE of the HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and the DIRECTORS of the CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY Held on the 20th Instant, the following Resolution was carried unanimously:—

"It is agreed between the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company and the China Fire Insurance Company, that on and after the 1st JULY proximo, a CASE DISCOUNT OF 20 PER CENT. be allowed upon all Premia, whether Contributed by SHAREHOLDERS or NOT, in lieu of the ANNUAL BONUS hitherto declared after the Closing of each Year's Accounts."

By Order,  
For the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited,  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Managers.

For the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited,  
**JAMES B. COUGHTRIE,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, June 26, 1879.

## NOTICE.

**OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.**

**A** NINTH RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TAELS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 9th July, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th July.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 16th July, inclusive.

By Order,  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Liquidators.  
Shanghai, July 1, 1879. an5

**YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.**

**NOTICE.**

**IN** accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED, payable at our Office on and after the 16th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 8, 1879.

**HONGKONG HUMANITY SOCIETY.**

**VOLUNTEERS** are earnestly requested to ENROLL themselves on the LIST of the above named Society, as the TYFHOON SEASON is at hand, and more Working Members are necessary.

Kindly send Name and Address to the HONORARY SECRETARY,  
**Blue Serge Shirt, Helmet, and Life Belt** supplied Free of Charge.

**P. H. EMANUEL,**  
Hon. Secretary, Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, July 2, 1879. an2

## DENTAL NOTICE.

**DR. ROGERS** will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving HONGKONG on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP Co.**  
**THE** Authority to Sign Bills of Lading by this COMPANY'S STEAMERS, granted to Mr. J. J. HOWARD, is hereby revoked, and Mr. C. L. GORHAM is authorized to Sign until further notice.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**THE** Undersigned has established himself at the Premises formerly occupied by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's Wharf, as  
**AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER**  
AND  
**COMMISSION AGENT.**  
All GOODS entrusted for SALE will be fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.  
**G. B. LAMBERT,**  
Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

### NOTICE.

**FROM** the 1st JULY, 1879, our Business in Hongkong will be CONDUCTED under the Firm or Style of NORONHA & Co., and at Shanghai under that of NORONHA & SONS.

Mr. A. J. NORONHA is authorized to Sign our Firm in Hongkong for Procuration.

**NORONHA & SONS.**  
Hongkong, July 4, 1879. j718

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

**AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

**FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.**  
Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australian and New Zealand Ports, TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI.

The Company's Steamship

**"OCEAN,"**  
Capt. WEBSTER, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,**  
Hongkong, July 8, 1879. j717

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA.**

The Steamship

**"VENICE,"**  
P. RHODE, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Inst., at 3 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 10, 1879. j717

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA.**

The Steamship

**"JAPAN,"**  
Capt. GARDNER, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DAVID SARSON, SONS & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1879. j717

**FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.**

The Steamship

**"MONARCH,"**  
Capt. STOCKDALE, due from FOOCHEW about the 25th Instant, will receive immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**MELOERS & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 11, 1879. j725

**FOR AMOY.**

The Steamship

**"DIAMANTE,"**  
Capt. TREBAUD, shortly due, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 12, 1879.

**FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.**

The Steamship

**"GLENIFFER,"**  
Capt. GRAHAM, will be despatched as above on or about the 20th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 12, 1879.

## Sailing Vessels.

**FOR HAMBURG.**

The 3/8 L.L.I. German Bark

**"HELENE,"**  
Volsteadsen, Master.  
For Freight, apply to  
**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, June 20, 1879.

## Shipping.

### Sailing Vessels.

**FOR LONDON.**  
The 4 1/2 British Bark  
**"GAUNTLET,"**  
LUCAS, Master.  
For Freight, apply to  
**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, June 6, 1879.

**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The 4 1/2 American Bark  
**"CHASCA,"**  
Captain WASHBURN, will load here, and will have quick despatch for the above Port.  
For Freight, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 4, 1879.

**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
The 4 1/2 American Ship  
**"SOUTH AMERICAN,"**  
Captain KNOWLES, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, June 13, 1879.

**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The 3/8 L.L.I. American Ship  
**"MONTE ROSA,"**  
O. C. CARTER, Master.  
For Freight, apply to  
**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 3, 1879.

## For Sale.

**KELLY & WALSH,**  
QUEEN'S ROAD,  
(Next door to the Exchange).  
ARE now showing a LARGE VARIETY of  
NEW LADIES' NOTE PAPERS & ENVELOPES.  
NEW SHEET MUSIC.  
BOOSEY'S CABINETS.  
MASON & HADEN'S ORGANS.  
PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.  
SCRAP BOOKS.  
INKSTANDS.  
LEATHER BLOTTING BOOKS.  
NEW STOVE ORNAMENTS.  
MENU CARDS.  
PLAYING CARDS. BEZIQUE.  
LETTER CASES. CARD CASES.  
PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.  
POCKET SLATES.  
WINNOR & NEWTON'S DRAWING MATERIALS.  
New CHILDREN'S TOY BOOK

## Intimations.

**G. FALCONER & Co.,**  
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER  
MANUFACTURERS,  
AND  
JEWELLERS.  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS  
AND BOOKS.  
48, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, June 20, 1879. jy20

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
SOLE AGENTS for Hongkong and  
China for the Sale of their LEAD by the  
MACHERSON MINING SOCIETY.  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, June 27, 1879. se27

## NOW READY.

**A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE  
CANTONESE DIALECT.** Parts I  
and II, A to M, with Introduction. Royal  
8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN KITZEL,  
Ph.D., Tübingen.  
Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS  
AND A HALF per Part.  
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD  
& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs  
KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

## Notices to Consignees

FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND  
YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship *China*, Captain LACH-  
LAN, having arrived from the above  
Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby re-  
quested to send in their Bills of Lading to  
the Undersigned for countersignature, and  
to take immediate delivery of their  
Goods.  
Cargo impeding her discharge will be at  
once landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1879.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

S. S. KAISAR-I-HIND.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessel from London, Bombay  
and Intermediate Ports and in connection  
with the *Nepaul* from London, are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being landed  
and stored at their risk in the Company's  
Godowns at West Point, whence delivery  
can be obtained from this date.  
Goods not delivered by the 16th Instant  
will be subject to rent.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,  
unless intimation to the contrary be re-  
ceived before 4 p.m. To-day.

A. MEYER,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1879. jyl9

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo  
are requested to send in their Bills of  
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-  
signature, and take immediate delivery.  
This Cargo has been landed and stored at  
their risk and expense.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Yangtze.  
AME (in diamond) Nos. 16/17, Or, 2 cases  
T J ..... Flannel, from L'don.

Ex Djennah.  
T J L 27 pgs. Nuts, from Singapore.

Ex Amazon.  
M B (in diamond) 18/16, Lieut. Marcus L.  
Bridger, B.N., 4 cases Whisky,  
from London.

80 Ghee Soon Tye, 203 bales Cotton, from  
Singapore.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, July 14, 1879.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for any  
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew  
of the following Vessels, during their stay  
in Hongkong Harbour:—

CELIA, British 3-m. schooner, Captain  
Drew.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.  
MONTARA, German schooner, Captain  
Schneider.—Stemmer & Co.  
SOO-LAND, British steamer, Capt. Wm.  
Atkinson.—Russell & Co.  
ALICE O. DICKERMAN, American 8-m.  
schooner, Capt. Wm. J. Bryant.—Order.  
BREITOVEN, German barque, Captain R.  
Haje.—Mellers & Co.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.  
The 41 British Bark  
"COLWYN."  
BULMAN, Master, will load  
here for the above Port, and  
will be despatched on the 22nd July.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
VOGEL & Co.  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879. jyl22

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
The 41 British Bark  
"ORANGE GROVE."  
Capt. Lockhart, shortly due,  
will load here for the above  
Ports, and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.  
The Steamship  
"NAKOA."  
Capt. WESTON, will be de-  
spatched for the above Ports  
on FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at 10 a.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879. jyl18

AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVA-  
TION COMPANY.

FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,  
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE,  
Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Aus-  
tralian and New Zealand Ports,  
TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI.

The Company's Steamship  
"OCEAN,"  
will leave as above on SA-  
TURDAY, the 19th Inst.,  
at Noon, instead of as previously notified.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879. jyl19

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"VOLGA,"  
Commandant GUERAND, will be  
despatched for YOKOHAMA  
shortly after the arrival of the next French  
Mail from Europe.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"ANADYR,"  
Commandant GUERAND, will be  
despatched for SHANGHAI  
shortly after her arrival from Europe.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL,

SATURDAY,

JULY 19th, 1879.

FIRST APPEARANCE  
IN HONGKONG

MISS CLARA STANLEY'S  
OPERA & OPERA-BUFFE  
COMPANY.

MISS CLARA STANLEY as PRIMA  
DONNA, whose recent success in  
Shanghai has been unrivalled—she having  
appeared in upwards of Forty-five Operas  
and been acknowledged by the Press and  
the Public in general to have achieved the  
greatest success ever known in China—  
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Saturday, July 19th,  
L'Occasion Sparkling Comedie Opera

"GIROFLE-GIROFLA"

First time in Hongkong,  
MISS CLARA STANLEY,

as  
"GIROFLE-GIROFLA."

Wednesday, July 23rd,  
BELLINI'S "LA SOMNAMBULA,"

First time in Hongkong,  
Miss CLARA STANLEY as "AMINA."

Saturday, July 26th,  
"GENEVIEVE DE BRABANT,"

First time in Hongkong,  
Miss CLARA STANLEY as "DROGAN,"  
(A Baker).

Saturday, July 19th,  
"GIROFLE-GIROFLA"

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Girofle { Twin } MISS CLARA  
Girofle, { Sisters } STANLEY,  
Marasquin, ..... Miss AGNES DRAGAN.  
Don Bolero d'Al.  
caracas, ..... Mr. J. ROLLINGS.  
Montrouk, ..... Mr. G. CLAREMONT.  
Pedro, ..... GENTLEMAN AMATEUR.  
Paquita, ..... Miss C. EVERARD.  
Aurore, ..... Miss BERTHA HODDER.  
Girofle { Twin } MISS CLARA  
Girofle, { Sisters } STANLEY.

PIRATES, MOORS, GUESTS, &c.

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Dress Circle or Orchestra  
Stalls, ..... Two DOLLARS.  
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Tickets to be had and Seats secured at  
Messrs KATON & Co.'s, where a Plan of the  
Theatre may be seen.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen  
cannot be admitted.

JOHN ROLLINGS,  
Business Manager,  
Hongkong, July 15, 1879.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

July 14, 11 p.m., *Beethoven*, German  
barque, 340, R. Haje, Quanghai July 10,  
3 p.m., General.—MALCOLM & Co.  
July 15, *Courier*, French barque, 348, G.  
La Porte, Singapore July 3, Rice.—ORDEN.  
July 15, *Diamond*, British steamer, 514,  
E. Thebaud, Manila July 12, General.—  
RUSSELL & Co.

July 15, *Parais*, French barque, 343,  
Pasco, Phosphate July 5, General.—  
CARLOWITZ & Co.  
July 15, *Taiwan*, German barque, 873,  
C. Jenson, Newchwang July 15, Beans.—  
ARNOLD, KARNES & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

July 15, *Fabius*, for Kalkwick.  
15, *Atlantia*, for Hoihow & Haiphong.  
15, *Yotting*, for Swatow.  
15, *Amoy*, for Shanghai.  
15, *Kheatre*, for Europe, &c.  
15, *Kwangtung*, for Coast Ports.  
15, *Danube*, for Bangkok.  
15, *Diamond*, for Amoy.

## CLEARED.

G. C. Trufant, for San Francisco,  
Irene, for New York.  
Clara Babayan, for Newchwang.  
Charlton, for Yokohama.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.  
Per *Diamond*, from Manila, Mr. Thos. F.  
Kugster, 3 Europeans, and 130 Chinese.  
Per *Beethoven*, from Quanghai, 20 Chinese.  
Per *Parais*, from Labuan, 6 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Kheatre*, from Hongkong, for Singa-  
pore, Surgeon General Dr. R. Gilborne  
and native servant, and Mr. S. W. Stanley;  
for Bombay, Mr. Haje Faesul; for South-  
ampton, Quarter-master Sergt. W. H.  
Drake, wife and infant; for Brindisi, Mr.  
F. Percy Stevens.—From Shanghai, for  
Southampton, Mr. and Mrs. Major, and Mr.  
W. S. McLean; for Venice, Messrs R. An-  
derson, and R. Bourke.—From Yokohama:  
for Bombay, Mr. and Mrs. Kaitis; for Singa-  
pore, Mr. de Ryckhu.  
Per *Kwangtung*, for Amoy, Mr. and Mrs.  
Ainslie, Mrs. Friend, Messrs Philip Plage,  
and Kenneth Beaton; for Foochow, Mr.  
Edward Bonnevillie.  
Per *Atlantia*, for Hoihow, Mr. A. Schom-  
burg, and 63 Chinese; for Haiphong, 15  
Chinese.  
Per *Yotting*, for Swatow, 168 Chinese.  
Per *Danube*, for Bangkok, 106 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German barque *Beethoven* reports:  
Fresh southerly winds with high S.E.  
swell and cloudy weather with rain squalls.  
The British steamer *Diamond* reports:  
Light variable winds and fine weather  
throughout.  
The German barque *Taiwan* reports:  
Fine weather throughout the passage.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND  
CALCUTTA.—  
Per Venice and Japan, at 2.30 p.m., on  
Thursday, the 17th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHEW.—  
Per *Namoa*, at 9.30 a.m., on Friday, the  
18th inst.

For SAIGON.—  
Per Norden, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the  
18th inst.

For PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,  
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.—  
Per Ocean, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday,  
the 19th inst., instead of as pre-  
viously notified.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKER.

The United States Mail Packet *China* will  
be despatched on THURSDAY, the  
17th inst., with Mails for Japan, San  
Francisco, the United States, Canada,  
Honolulu, Peru, &c. which will be  
closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry closes.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),  
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay  
cannot be sent by this route.  
Hongkong, July 7, 1879. july17

MAILS BY THE FOREIGN PACKER.

The French Contract Packet *Djennah*, will  
be despatched on TUESDAY, the  
22nd Instant, with Mails to and  
through the United Kingdom and  
Europe, via Naples, to Saigon, Straits  
Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon,  
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bom-  
bay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.  
The usual hours will be observed in closing  
the Mails, &c.

## HOURS OF CLOSING

THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing  
Mails, &c., by both the British and  
French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.—  
5 p.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post  
Office closes, except the Night Box,  
which remains open all night.

Day of departure.—  
7 a.m.—Post Office opens.

10 a.m.—Registry of Letters closes.  
Posting of all printed matter and  
patterns ceases.

11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late  
Letters.

11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with  
Late Fee of 18 cents until

11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted  
on board the packet with Late Fee of  
18 cents until time of departure.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Goods per *Kaiser-i-Hind* not delivered  
after this date subject to rent.

Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of H. C. & M. Steam-  
boat Co. closed from this date to 29th  
Instant, inclusive.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, July 17:—  
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-  
hama and San Francisco.

3 p.m.—Venice and Japan leave for Sin-  
gapore, &c.

Transfer Books of the China Traders'  
Insurance Co., Limited, closed from  
this date to 31st Instant, inclusive.

FRIDAY, July 18:—  
10 a.m.—*Namoa* leaves for Coast Ports.

SATURDAY, July 19:—  
Noon.—*Ocean* leaves for Port Darwin,  
Cooktown, &c.

TUESDAY, July 23:—  
Colwyn leaves for San Francisco.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of  
Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, July 25:—  
3.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the  
H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd., at Hong-  
kong Hotel.

TUESDAY, July 29:—  
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the  
H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited,  
at No. 50A, Queen's Road.

THURSDAY, July 31:—  
2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the  
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.,  
at the Head Office, Hongkong.

FRIDAY, August 1:—  
9 p.m.—*Ocean* and *Oriental* S. S. Co.'s  
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San  
Francisco.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1879.

BIRTH.

At Hongkong, on the 14th inst., Mrs P.  
SMITH, of a Son.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 7.15 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JULY 15, 1879.

THE expensive institution known as the  
Tung Wah Hospital is but briefly refer-  
red to in the Colonial Surgeon's Report  
for last year. According to that refer-  
ence, however, the work represented as  
having been done by the Hospital is  
evidently not small, were it only done in  
a way agreeable to common sense and  
enlightened experience. Of the 1646  
cases admitted into the Hospital during  
the year, 756 died (or about 46 per cent.);  
but it is explained that the in-patients  
are in a very large number of cases in-  
curable. The principal work of the  
institution seems to be that of a free  
dispensary for out-patients, of whom the  
large total of 83,086 have received ad-  
vice during the year. This is undoubt-  
edly a satisfactory item of presumed  
charitable work done at this establish-  
ment; and if, as we understand it, an  
agreement exists between the Govern-  
ment and the Hospital not to interfere  
unduly with the affairs of the institution,  
the Hospital must be regarded as a  
measure carrying out what was expected  
of it at its foundation. It would,  
however, be more in accordance with  
right and reason, and more in keeping  
with the attitude recently assumed by  
the Hospital Committee, were reports  
issued giving some account of the  
manner in which the money used for  
maintaining the Hospital was expended.  
Dr. Ayres says, "The Hospital is  
entirely under Chinese supervision, kept  
fairly clean, and the patients' comfort  
attended to according to Chinese ideas."  
The understanding entered into by the  
Government surely does not include that  
there shall be no European supervision  
whatever; or that the degree of  
cleanliness attained in its wards should  
be fully described as only "fairly clean."  
A patient's comfort according to Chinese  
ideas is an unknown quantity; it may be  
one thing according to the patient's ideas,  
and quite another from the Chinese  
nurse's point of view or judged by the  
"Doctor's" notions. Under Mr. Hen-  
nemy's administration, however, there  
is little hope of reform in this di-  
rection, unless such reform should  
come spontaneously from the more en-  
lightened views of the Chinese them-  
selves. Some glimmering of this may be  
seen in the large number of vaccinations  
performed during last year—viz., 1688  
altogether, including a hundred performed  
in villages and rural districts by  
Chinese doctors attached to the institu-  
tion. In his report for 1877, Dr. Ayres  
very happily told us of the Tung Wah

Hospital: he says, "It does a consid-  
erable amount of good; it might do a good  
deal more." A comparison of last year's  
work with that of 1877, it must be  
admitted, shows that a portion of the  
"good deal more" has been overtaken.  
Last year there was an increase in the  
out-patients treated of 28,112, and an  
increase of 309 in the cases of vac-  
cination performed in and out of Hospital;  
which must be regarded as a sign of  
the growing popularity of the Hospital  
among the poorer classes. We wish  
that we could be assured of the suitabil-  
ity of the treatment, so that we could  
with more sincerity wish "good speed"  
to this native institution.

## CHINESE NOTES.

The Secretaries, [秘書], of the Official  
Yamens are responsible and highly paid  
persons who really transact most of the  
public business; on a small scale they  
resemble our Under Secretaries or Junior  
Lords, or, better still, the Chief clerks and  
Registrars of local Courts. Some, such as  
the "letter writing," [書啟], and the  
tax-collecting, [征比], are common to  
all districts. In some small districts the  
legal, [刑名], and financial, [錢穀],  
secretaries are combined in the person of  
one man. In important districts the two  
later are very highly paid, drawing, for  
instance, in Nanchow, as much as Tls. 8000  
and Tls. 2000 a year respectively.

A curious instance of the supreme  
judicial authority of the Emperor is given  
in a recent *Peking Gazette*. A Censor com-  
plains that a Shan Tung Magistrate who has  
been found guilty of inciting to murder, and  
convicted at the escape of the murderers,  
has only been sentenced to transportation,  
and demands his instant execution. The  
Emperor decides that the punishment pre-  
scribed by Law is, in this case, too light for  
the offence, and directs the original sentence  
of transportation to be changed to one of  
strangulation. This *ex post facto* law mak-  
ing is not more outrageous than was the  
English *ex post facto* attainder during the  
times of the Stuarts, but shows, at the  
same time, that the Emperors of China are  
above the Law.

The Salt Distribution of the Empire is  
generally carried out by means of the  
"lot" system. The farmer of a *desp*,  
[地], has to guarantee to sell a minimum  
number of lots, which he procures from the  
Salt Commissioner and sells at a profit, or  
rather at a loss. On each lot he pays an  
excise tax, [餉]. The profits of the li-  
censed Salt Merchants are made from the  
sale of illicit salt, which they both buy  
from and sell to those who work with them,  
but which they seize, denounce, and con-  
fiscate in cases where the owner or speculator  
is independent of them. The Sea Salt  
Management [鹽綱] of the Kiang Pro-  
vinces was reorganised by the Viceroy  
Ting Kwo-fan about 10 years ago. The  
Rock-Salt Management of Sh-Chwan is  
now being thoroughly reorganised by the  
Viceroy Ting Pao-cheng.

The Chinese distinguish a great many  
varieties of crabs. The Cantonese, *há*,  
lá, is the Foochow *plong ai*,—a flat  
specimen. The small Cantonese, *páng*,  
k'í, is the Foochow *pong-ki*; the Cantonese  
*mo' hai* or hairy crab is the Foochow  
*mo' há*; the Cantonese *há* is the Foo-  
chow *plong*; and the Cantonese *há* is the  
Foochow *ch'iek*. The petrified Hal-  
man crab used in the Chinese phar-  
macopoeia, is the *shék*, *há*.

A certain number of vacancies (profes-  
sors and magistrates) in each Province are  
filled up by the Board, [部選]—in Canton  
about one-fourth of the whole. There are,  
however, so many expectants in the Pro-  
vinces now-a-days that the Provincial Au-  
thorities frequently request permission to  
fill these themselves [扣留外補]. A  
Magistrate who is compelled to retire into  
mourning whilst holding a substantive  
appointment must, after his mourning has  
expired, await re-appointment at Peking; if  
he was only a provincial expectant, he must  
await re-appointment at the Provincial  
Metropolis.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[Supplied to THE "CHINA MAIL."]

(Per E. E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

London, 12th July.

An imposing funeral service for the late  
Prince Imperial was celebrated to-day at  
Chiselmhurst in the presence of the Queen,  
the Prince of Wales, and all the Members  
of the Royal Family.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next AMERICAN MAIL may be expected  
here on or about the 17th inst. (Thursday  
next) by the C. and O. S. S. Co.'s steamer  
*Ocean*.

THERE were no cases of any public interest  
to-day, in the Supreme Court in Summary  
Jurisdiction.

THE British barque *Panguard*, Captain  
Petter, left Manila for Hongkong on the  
14th instant.

A *submersible* raid, directed by Inspector  
Horapool, was made to-day on seven gam-  
bling houses connected with the "Walling  
Lottery," and a large number of arrests were  
made. The accused have been released on  
bail of \$200 each. It is said that a sum  
of about \$6,000 fell into the hands of the  
Police.

thing to decrease the heat and unpleasantness of so large a number meeting in so small a hall.

It will be seen by advertisement that Miss Clara Stanley's Opera and Opera Bouffe Troupe, arrived the other day from Shanghai, announce three operatic entertainments here, the first on Saturday next, when "Giroflé-Giroflé" will be produced. With Miss Stanley as *prima donna*, and her admirable company—(both have been the recipients of the most handsome compliments to their artistic ability from the Shanghai and other papers since they were last here)—there is no doubt a musical and artistic treat will be provided. The City Hall has been improved since last there was any public entertainment in it; and neither the safety nor the beauty of the hall has been decreased by the erection of neat taper iron pillars in place of the huge unlighted wooden masts, which being antedated became so many "whited sepulchres."

Mr Stanley, who left to-day for Singapore by the P. and O. steamer *Khedive*, gave an exhibition of billiards at the Stag Hotel, last night, when a fair audience was present. He played one of our best amateurs a game of 500, and won, of course; he being "game" when his opponent was a little over 300. The playing was very much admired indeed, that of the amateur (who played very carefully and with the most admirable neatness and skill) as greatly, we might say, as that of Mr Stanley. A few games of pyramids occupied the rest of the evening. In these the professional had everything his own way; he seemed to be able to do anything he liked with any one or all of the 15 balls. Hearty rounds of plaudits were given to both the players during and after the game. We believe it is Mr Stanley's intention to spend some time again at Singapore, where he is a great favourite. Of Mr Shorter and Mr Roberts, we hear that one (the former) goes home by America, while the other will probably return this way.

In this hot weather, when even many foreigners would fain dispense with all unnecessary articles of apparel, it may be deemed invidious by our native fellow-townsmen to touch upon a subject that so very intimately concerns their daily ease and comfort. But while willing to concede them a reasonable latitude in this regard, it must be remembered that it may be carried to a point incompatible with the demands of outward decorum. Happily but few cases of this nature are to be met with in Hongkong, and these are mostly confined to the Praya and environs. A seemingly widespread custom seems to prevail here among the Chinese, of sleeping at night on the side-walks in front of their houses. From this practice occasional scenes of indecency may be seen by passers-by at certain parts of the town, where but little trifling obtains. Mats are spread on the side-path, and on such improvised beds, a motley group of men and boys—in some cases women too—court the cool night breeze in a state of semi-nudity, and even entire nakedness. Besides the want of propriety which such a practice involves, it is also attended by inconvenience to pedestrians and some danger to the sleepers themselves; for, on dark nights, and particularly at the corners of streets, they are liable to be trodden upon by any negligent or hurried passer-by.

In Japan, some years ago, this matter of insufficient clothing was carried to such a pitch, that it became the subject of ministerial representation to the native authorities; and through their concerted action an attempt of the practice was brought about. This however was not so easily accomplished; for not only was such interference strongly resented by the people, but it had also considerable opposition from those in power, who considered it as an indelible encroachment upon the autonomy of a free state. Time, however, and the accommodating disposition of rulers and the ruled conspired to bring about their acquiescence in the new situation.—*Communicated.*

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending July 6th 1879—

	European.	Chinese
Monday, July 7th,	84	379
Tuesday, 8th,	62	400
Wednesday, 9th,	40	308
Thursday, 10th,	3	...
Friday, 11th,	37	207
Saturday, 12th,	41	208
Sunday, 13th,	37	...
Totals	288	1,622
Grand total, 1906.		

The *Nice Free Press* of Vienna, which is supposed to have access to exceptional sources of information on Masonic subjects, gives the following statistics of the recognized lodges:—In Germany, 342; Switzerland, 38; Hungary, 44; Roumania, 11; Serbia, 1; Ireland, 380; Gibraltar, 5; Malta, 4; Sweden and Norway, 13; France, 287; Spain, 300; Portugal, 22; Italy, 110; Greece, 11; Turkey, 26; Egypt, 23; various parts of Africa, 25; South African colonies, 51; Africa, 1; India, 118; among the islands of the Indian sea, 18; China, 15; Japan, 5; Australia, 226; the United States of North America, 8,884; Canada, 585; Cuba, 30; Hayti, 62; Mexico, 13; Brazil, 260; in the other South American States, 179—altogether about 1,600 lodges. The number of Freemasons on December 31, 1878, exceeded 5,000,000. It will be noticed that there are some very important omissions in the enumeration of the Viennese paper. Great Britain, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, and Russia have been quite passed over.

HONG KONG'S Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 5th July, 1879.

Arrivals During the Week.—June 29, *Alexa*, from Hongkong; 29, *Moorburg*, from Hongkong; 30, *Memmu*, from Hongkong; 30, *Cyclop*, from Tamsui; July 1, *Glenroy*, from Shanghai; 1, *Kwangtung*, from Hongkong; 1, *Lord of the Isles*, from Takao; 4, *Hao An*, from Shanghai.

Departures During the Week.—June 27, *Sratow*, for Swatow; 28, *Hao An*, for Shanghai; 28, *Douglas*, for Hongkong; 28, *Ben Gloe*, for London; July 2, *Black Prince*, for Melbourne; 2, *Europe*, for Shanghai; 3, *E. C. Mutch*, for Tamsui; 4, *Kwangtung*, from Hongkong.

Shipping in Port.—Monarch, Syria, Tevot, Merionethshire, Undaunted, Salamis, Wm. Manson, *Alexa*, *Moorburg*, *Memmu*, *Cyclop*, *Glenroy*, *Lord of the Isles*, *Hao An*.

A curious contest is waging in the great manufacturing town of Newark (Conn.) just now, which is of some interest to us, endeavouring as we have been to make our holy-day here holier.—

Newark has about 150,000 inhabitants, the majority of whom are foreigners. By state legislation the sale of beer and the sale of everything else is strictly prohibited on the "Lord's Day." These statutes have, however, been from the necessities of the case but rarely enforced. Lately, some of the extremists invoked them to shut up the beer saloons on Sunday, and a number of the refractory German saloon-keepers were imprisoned and fined. In retaliation they in their turn combined together to put a stop to every other species of Sunday commerce. Even the most extreme of Puritans has a weakness for reading the New York Sunday newspapers, and even Presbyterian deacons are seen sometimes on a Sunday morning in a barber's shop. To shave a deacon, or to sell him a newspaper, is, however, under the strict letter of the law, as grave an offence as it is to dispense a glass of beer to a thirsty Dutchman. Great, indeed, was the surprise of the Newark Puritans, when, following their victory over the German beer sellers, they found the latter retorting by shutting off their supplies of Sunday journals and shutting up the barber's shops. The beer sellers at their own expense organized a force of special police, and made the embargo upon every kind of Sunday trading absolute. Even the milkmen were arrested, for leaving the usual quart of milk on the Lord's Day morning. It is announced that the struggle will be waged in future with greater energy even than at present. The present laws—a century old—even prohibit persons from walking or driving in the streets on a Sunday, except in going to or from a church, or going for a physician. The result will, of course, be a modification of the existing laws by the Legislature, and then the larger beer men hope that they will have influence enough to prevent special laws against saloons.

Writing on the Chinese Immigration question, the San Francisco *News Letter* has the following, which we have not seen reproduced in this country:—

Stripping the debate of demagogical appeals, the arguments in favor of the bill may be briefly epitomized as follows: The Chinese are not Christians, but pagans; they do not come to remain in the country; they do not bring their families with them; they live on rice, on which white men would starve; and they work for less wages than white men can afford to work for. If these arguments really constitute a valid reason for prohibiting the Mongolian immigration they should be embodied in a bill to prohibit all immigration, without regard to race or nationality, which violates these principles, a bill for example, in the following form: "Be it enacted that hereafter quarantine stations shall be established at every port of the United States, and that no immigrant shall be allowed by the Customs House officer to land until after due examination he shall have given satisfactory evidence that he is a member of some Christian church or congregation, and holds to a Christian creed; that he intends to be naturalized and vote early and often; that he is married or is prepared to give bonds that he will marry within a year; that he eats meat at least once a day; and that he would rather stay idle, joining the noble band of tramps, than work for less than a dollar a day." If it is right to exclude John because he will work on the ranch for less wages than Patrick, it is equally right to exclude Patrick because he will work in the factory for less wages than the Yankee farm boy.

The last American papers to hand have the following news about the exodus of negroes from the South, which possesses local interest in so far as it is believed to open a new field for "Chinese cheap labour"—

Representatives King, Ellis and Gibson, of Louisiana, to-day, in conversation with the President on the subject of the negro exodus, represented to him that, from the report of his declarations with regard to the exodus, an impression would be created that he favored the exodus, and would extend Government aid in furtherance of it. The reply of the President was, in substance, that nothing whatever had transpired in his interview which could bear such a construction. His only declaration was that the navigation of the Mississippi should be free, and must remain unobscured. The President expressed the opinion that while any citizen had a perfect right to emigrate from one portion of the country to another, it would certainly be unfortunate for large masses of the colored people to proceed to any one particular section of the country, and if they saw fit to remove, it would, in his opinion, be much better if they could be generally settled throughout the entire country. He expressed no opinion as to the policy or wisdom of the present Southern exodus. Upon being informed by King that an impression was being conveyed among the colored people of his District that the Government would sustain them in migrating westward, the President said there was no foundation whatever for the circulation of such an idea. He regarded the story as being unfortunate, inasmuch as it might tend to mislead those contemplating emigration.

Under the heading of the Panama Canal folly the *Alta California* writes:—The parties who put up the Panama Canal job have apparently carried their

point by getting an endorsement of that route by the Congress which they managed to get up and manipulate for that purpose. Nothing different could have been anticipated by any person posted as to the characters and purposes of the manipulators. Nothing different could have been expected by anybody who knew that the people chiefly interested were of the Bonaparte order of manipulators, conscienceless, unscrupulous chivaliers of fortune, gamblers of chance in wild schemes, human spiders spinning webs glittering with promised gold, but hiding beneath wrecked fortunes and exploded hopes, disappointment and financial ruin. But what do they care, so they carry their point, get together a Congress of representatives men, presumably, but carefully selected, a majority already fully determined to play into the hands of the speculative manipulators? And what other result could have been anticipated from a Congress assembled in Paris, and composed of men a majority of whom would as soon have voted the feasibility of tunnelling Chimborazo for the passage of such ships as the *Great Eastern*?

No man, who has carefully read and studied the comparative advantages of the routes suggested, as represented by our own intelligent and scientific explorers, Rear Admiral Ammen and Commander Selfridge, and possessing some common sense, could ever decide in favor of the Panama route, unless some personal interest, or desire to favor some friend's designs, could ever have considered that route the preferable. We do not hesitate to say that no canal by that route will ever be constructed. All the estimates of its probable cost were purposely got up to suit the purpose and aid the plans of the speculators, who intend to float more stock, and palm it off on a deceived public, than the canal which they propose shall be constructed would hold. It may suit Mont Bonaparte Wyse and his confederates to get the endorsement which their packed Congress has given them, because, upon the strength of it, they may be able to realize fortunes from the credulity and purchasing ability of their dupes. But we fully believe that when the last man of the human race shall accept the advice of Horace Greeley to "Go West," he will have to double Cape Horn, cross the Continent by railroad, or else find his way Westward by way of Lake Nicaragua.

A Sydney firm of publishers has produced a reprint of the speeches delivered by his Excellency Sir Hercules Robinson, during his term of office in this colony. A volume has been specially bound for presentation to the Hon. Lady Robinson, and will be despatched to New Zealand at once. It is bound in fine French calf, beautifully gilt and ornamented, and inside the cover are the following words:—"Respectfully presented to the Hon. Lady Robinson by the printers, Gibbs, Shillard, & Co., Sydney." Taken altogether it is one of the most beautiful specimens of printing and binding that has ever been produced in this colony. It is inclosed in a satin-lined case, bearing on the outside the monogram of the recipient.

The severe moralists who preach against our opium trade with China, will note with indignation that it will increase. The value of opium sent to the Chinese treaty ports last year exceeded \$394 lakhs; the figure for the year before was under 246 lakhs. And the moralists should look with anxiety at another set of figures. The value of opium exported to other countries than China and the Straits Settlements is increasing again. It would be a good thing to notify in the monthly trade return for India the amount of opium sent to England. According to the *Lancet* the sale of opium at home is larger than ever; the consumption of intoxicating liquors at the same time is falling off. One explanation offered is that as the Legislature puts difficulties into the way of people wishing to get drunk, there is a greater demand for narcotic drugs. This explanation, however, does not find favour with the *Lancet*, which suggests another cause in the comparative dearth of spirits and the cheapness of opium; hard times making the difference of more account than formerly. Whatever may be the cause, the fact of the evil remains: "the sale of opium is extending in England amongst the lower classes." But the evil is not confined to these grades of society; it is a well known fact that narcotics are now being more used by educated people. It would not be difficult to explain the tendency, if only one could believe the *Spectator*. This authority exercised itself the other day about the "melancholy of the educated English," being especially struck by an article in the *Nineteenth Century* and a poem in *Time*. The poet, Mr Trull, wrote:

"Too far our race has journeyed from its birth,  
Too far Death casts his shadows o'er the earth.  
Ah! what remains to strengthen and support  
Our hearts, since they have lost their trick of truth."

It might not seem unreasonable to suggest that opium and narcotics are actually being tried as a remedy; the facts given by the *Lancet* would seem to justify the hypothesis. On the other hand, the *Saturday Review* denies the prevalence of the melancholy which the *Spectator* believes in, the existence at least of any extra amount of black bile. Mr Trull's or, indeed, is by no means a new one; it is the old story, *homo nervosus, tempora passima sunt*. Not for the first time do men regret the days "when thought was gay and life was young."—*Pioneer.*

The Secretary of State, in reviewing a recent British Burma Police Report, proposed the establishment of a strong frontier force for British Burma. The force, he considered, should be specially manned and officered. Considering the present state of affairs both in Upper and British Burma, the idea is not a bad one; and coming from home might be carried out in the face of financial difficulties.—*Pioneer.*

The *Moscow Gazette* throws further light on General Lazareff's expedition. The whole subject is discussed in an article published on the 22nd April; and, the *Pioneer* says, a better example of Russian trickery could hardly be imagined. The following is our contemporary's summary of the article:—

Two or three months ago, some military preparations at Baku on the western shore of the Caspian, attracted notice. Russian troops were moving the Caspian, and

designs on Merv were suspected. The Russian Government, after a little pressing, announced "that the expedition to Merv had been countermanded." As the preparations still went on, further questions were asked. It was then said that the troops crossing the Caspian and assembling at Krasnovodsk were meant for the protection of the scientific expeditions which were being sent to examine the older channels of the Oxus. This explanation held good for a time; till a further disclosure became needed. The Russians now gave out that the best way of protecting their scientific survey parties, about which a great deal of fuss was made, would be to attack the Tekke Turcomans beforehand. Lastly it appears that General Lazareff will march against the Tekkes, and Merv. The *Moscow Gazette*, however, discloses any serious designs on Merv; had such designs existed, this authority says, "we should certainly begin by establishing a point d'appui at Charjui." This indeed is plausible enough. Should Merv ever fall to the Russians, it will most likely appear that two columns have marched on the place, one from the Caspian along the Atok and the other over the sandy waste between Merv and the Oxus. As it happens, however, there is nothing to show that a Russian force has not been assembled at Charjui on the Oxus; and a rumour lately existed stating that a force was actually starting in this direction for Merv. The whole question about expeditions to Merv must be left to the London Foreign Office; the Indian Government can only give periodic warnings which, as often as not, will be neglected. We reprinted yesterday some extracts from a paper by Sir Henry Rawlinson, who describes very fully the country through which the Russian expedition will travel. An excellent map of the Turcoman Steppes and Northern Khorassan will be found in the March number of the *Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society*.

The *Echo* says:—The adoption of the extraordinary State Constitution in California—the character of which may be judged from the fact that the notorious Denis Kearney has imbedded it with his spirit—has created intense disgust among all sober-minded people in the Pacific States. Kearney, in a telegram to a New York paper, speaks of the triumph he and his party have achieved, as over "corruption swindlers, bank robbers, land sharks, stock manipulators, short-card players, abortionists, shoulder hitters, whisky bums, bludgeon murderers, religious hypocrites, worshippers of the devil and the golden calf." Under the new and virtuous order, says the *Echo*, the "broad and water beecher must go," the screaming Talmage must go, the lecherous bondholders must go. The most remarkable and the most disgraceful part of this precious Constitution is the undignified attempt to drive the Chinese from the country. No Chinaman can have a vote, no Corporation will be permitted to employ, directly or indirectly, any Chinese or Mongolian. Except as a punishment for crime, no Chinese will be allowed to labour on any state, country, municipal, or other public building. All contracts for coolie labour are declared to be void. Cities and towns are to have power to remove Chinese beyond their limits; and, finally, after the Constitution is in full force, Chinese immigration will cease. The hostility to capitalists, which is one of the most marked features of Kearney's craze, assumes, of course, marked prominence in the Constitution. Everything is to be taxed—money, bonds, stocks, credits, dues, mortgages, from the house over a man's head to the shirt on his back. Fortunately, the worst parts of this extraordinary instrument will not be in force till the beginning of next year. But no one imagines that it can last. It is at some points in conflict with Federal law, at others with Treaty, and parts of it are so unbecoming as to be impracticable. Kearney may consider himself fortunate that he has not had a taste of the historical tar and feathers of the States.

#### Police Intelligence.

(Before Hon. C. B. Plunket)

Tuesday, July 15th.

#### A PRESERVING DUN.

Thomas Ide Bowler complained against a hawkier Ho An for creating a disturbance in front of complainant's house; the man had made a noise and called out, when Mr Bowler went out to him, "This devil took my goods and will not give me money." He was arrested, at complainant's request by a Chinese Constable, whom he struck in the face and about the body. The complainant said he was due the man nothing. Defendant said he was waiting for a girl who lives in complainant's house, who had some time previous promised to pay him some money she was due him. Fined \$1 or two days' imprisonment.

#### ASSAULTING WOMEN.

Ernest Hogger, 19, an Englishman, carpenter H.M.S. *Pegasus*, was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labour for assaulting Chan Tai-I, and the same for assaulting Chan A-I, two prostitutes belonging to Licensed Brothel No. 23 East Street, and to pay \$5 and \$5 compensation to them; the one sentence to follow the other; and in default of the payment of the compensation, 14 and 7 days' further imprisonment with hard labour. He had knocked out two or three of one woman's teeth, and struck her to the ground, and had struck the other with an earthen lamp, and smashed her in the face. He was said to have been quite sober at the time.

#### "ORDERED HOME."

A stable boy out of employ, recently back home again from America, was ordered to be sent to Macao; he had been trespassing in some stables.

#### THEIVING.

Tang Ahng, a coolie, 51 years of age, was sent to goal for fourteen days with hard labour for stealing a fowl valued at 10 cents; Wong Ahn to one month with hard labour for stealing a pickaxe valued at \$1.

#### CARTAGE.

Wong Achan, 219 Praya West, was fined \$10 for having on the 15th had a number of coolies packing rice there to the obstruction of the passage.

#### A GANG OF ROGUES.

Two hawkers and a rice pounder, Chao A Po, (24) Leung A Man, (50) and Chan A Sz (25) were each fine \$50 for being out at night without a pass or light; in default three months' hard labour. At the expiration of this sentence the second prisoner will be brought before the Sitting Magistrate should the Capt. Supt. of Police desire to charge him with returning from deportation. They had all been previously convicted; No. 1 in November 1878 got two months' hard labour; No. 2 in March 1869 from Supreme Court got three years' penal servitude; he was branded on the left ear in June 1872 and deported for life. He had again been sentenced (the Magistrate not knowing the man had ever been deported) in April 1878 to six months' hard labour for larceny.

#### BUNKER SAILORS.

Thomas Fisher, 18, seaman, H.M.S. *Pegasus*, Robert Williams, Russian seaman unemployed, Thomas Clarke, and Alfred Storke, seaman U. S. S. *Keyser*, James Hawley, British ship *G. O. Tregent*, John Lucas, fish, seaman unemployed, were fined \$10 for having been drunk and incapable or disorderly. The first named had also assaulted a Chinaman who kept a stall, and for this had to pay \$1 extra.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

"BREVITY IS THE SOUL OF WIT."

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Sir,—As a pleasant exercise in English composition, permit me to recommend the task of making a *prose* of Dr Wherry's last report. It is seldom that a public document more completely deserves the character of laconic conciseness than does this last effort of the Resident Surgeon; every word has apparently been passed through a kind of chemical analysis, and the result is a product which furnishes a wonderful contrast to other public utterances with which we are all familiar. If you don't agree with me, try and summarise that report, and then believe me to be

VERITAS.

#### Manila.

(Translated from our Manila Exchanges.) News from the wreck of the *Machan* are bad; all the attempts made to float her up to the present have proved without success. The steamer *Cebu* on her way from Iloilo to Manila will touch at the wreck to take on board those engaged in the operations, and it is believed that operations will be suspended for the present.

According to *El Comercio* six thousand tickets of the Manila Lottery are forwarded to China every month, which represent \$30,000. The first prize of the July drawing corresponds to a ticket (7088) sent to China.

The British barque *Lord of the Isles*, now loaded and about to leave for Liverpool, was sold by public auction on the 9th to Mr T. J. Reynolds for the sum of \$5000; her cargo, which consists of 15,200 piculs wet sugar, 224 piculs spanwood, and 22 piculs rope, was not of course included in the sale.

A dividend of 64 per cent. has been declared by the Banco Espanol-Filipino for the first six months of 1879.

#### JOKING JUDGES.

The man who makes a pun would pick a pocket. No doubt; but he would do much worse. He would put his victims to the torture if he had the chance. The agony of a bad joke is worse than tickling the soles of the feet with a feather. Not to laugh is to break the conventionalities; the bad joker knows it, and gloats over the exorcising cachinnation which he extracts. But sometimes the laugh is bought and paid for. A dependent, for instance, is bound by contract to laugh at the jokes of his employer. The "counterfeited gloe" is included in the salary. Barristers, too, are expected to laugh at the jokes of the Bench, and a chronic grin is part of the stock-in-trade of Nisi Prius. The discomfort of forced merriment is calculated in the fee, and no pity need be wasted on those who laugh for hire. The judges ought to know the hollowness of professional applause, but they can resist no better than other weak mortals the opportunity of a helpless listener. So they go on from bad to worse, until we are obliged to take judicial jokes like legal decisions, without question, and as issued on authority.

No invidious distinction of persons need be drawn. The Bench is filled—from the Chief Justice of England, who can on occasion be as painfully jocose as any, to the youngest punster—with jokers, who seldom miss a chance. We take Mr Justice Denman at the trial of the action for "Leona Dare's" trapeze as an example. If a departure from the practice of his learned brethren were possible, we should have expected it in Mr Justice Denman, who is qualified for the Bench by his judicial face. His features, which are his inheritance from his father the Chief Justice, are out out for a judge and designed to be imposing under a wig. Such advantages only require the mysterious deportment of the body called gravity to make him look the part of perfection. Mr Justice Denman is simply flying in the face of Providence to throw away that with which he is endowed in pursuit of a reputation which is unsustainable. Here are a few forensic flowers of wit culled from the report of the case. Leona Dare had been her husband's pupil, and when she left him he followed her to London, but found she had gone to Paris. "That is the effect of a man teaching his wife to fly," said the judge, whereas there was "laughter." This was the judge's pleasant way of poking fun at a man's misfortunes; but his next was a fine example of taking liberties with a name, a form of pleasantness tabooed outside the public-house and the stable. Mr Alfred Martinotti was called as a witness. Said the judge, "You are Martin really, I suppose?" (A laugh.) Witness: "Martinotti." Judge: "That is because you tumble into nets, I suppose?" (A loud laughter.) Why, this was a more exquisite joke than the other! Leona Dare was to have 70s. a week. "Very good pay," said the judge; "a barrister would like to get it." (Laughter.) This capital cut at his professional brethren told well. Lastly, in summing up, this facetious magistrate "incidentally adverted to the introduction of the trapeze into this country, and said that it would have been perhaps as well if it had never been introduced at all; and

for himself he did not see what loss it would have been if the gentlemen they had had before them had turned their attention to the Bar or the Church instead of the trapeze, positions for which no doubt they would have been very well qualified." (Laughter.) If the trapeze had been decried for the Bar, we should have a right to expect better clowns on the Bench.

There was a time when the Bench had a genuine reputation for wit, and an occasional sparkle would light up a dull case. But sparks imply a reserve of fire, while the modern judge explodes all his little powers every time there is a chance. The lawyer's joke—polished, pungent, with a spice of technicality in it—was once proverbial for its excellence. The jokes now heard daily from the Bench would be discarded by a pantomime writer as worn out ages ago, and would be scouted in a club smoking-room. The lawyers grin, and the jury think the judge a very condescending old gentleman; but the bursts of laughter grate on the ears of the parties whose cause is in question. The separation from his wife was no laughing matter to Mr Hall, "Leona Dare's" husband; and he had to confess that he had tried to shoot himself because of it. The costs which Mr Jennings, the manager of the music-hall, had to pay would also have been no joke, if he had not been consoled by the reflection that under the care of the judge his money was well spent in return for the advertisement obtained. To bring or defend an action is nowadays looked upon as cheaper in the long-run than an infinite number of placards and sandwich men. The judges are determined to encourage this use of their courts by giving sensational cases a special treatment, and converting themselves into amateur Willings. Those who would read and be amused by the jokes which we have quoted are just the class of persons who fill the Oxford Music-hall. Indeed, Mr Jennings is just what he requires on his own stage, only he wishes that his comic business always succeeded in raising the laugh as cheaply as the judge's.—*World.*

#### Quotations.

HONGKONG, July 15, 1879.	
OPIMUM—New Patna, cash—	\$542
Old " " " "	...
New Benares, cash, 505	...
Old " " " "	...
New Malwa, cash, 735	...
Allowance Teluk, 5	...
Old Malwa, cash, 760	...
Allowance Teluk, 5	...

#### Exchange.

Bank, Wire, ...	3/8
Demand, ...	3/4
30 days' sight, ...	3/8
4 months' sight, ...	3/4
Credit, 4	3/8
Documentary, 4 months' sight, 3/4	...
India, Wire, ...	22 1/2
" " demand, ...	22 1/2
Shanghai, demand, ...	7 1/2
" " 30 days' sight, ...	7 1/2
Gold, Leaf, 99 1/2 fine ...	26/60
Sovereigns, ...	5/28

#### Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 66 1/2 prem.	...
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,300	...
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,500	...
North China Ins. Co., \$1,250	...
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., \$1,730	...
Chinese Insurance Co., \$290	...
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$740	...
China Fire Ins. Co., \$175	...
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 8 1/2 prem.	...
H.K. & C. M. S.-boat Co., \$10 dis.	...
Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$13	...
China Coast St. Nav. Co., \$15	...
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70	...
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65	...
China Sugar Refining Co., \$142 1/2	...
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal.	...
Do. of 1877, do.	...

#### Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co's Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, July 15, 1879.	
BAROMETRE—9 A.M. ...	30.000
Do. 1 P.M. ...	29.950
Do. 4 P.M. ...	29.930
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. ...	84
Do. 1 P.M. ...	86
Do. 4 P.M. ...	86
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ...	79
Do. Do. 1 P.M. ...	80
Do. Do. 4 P.M. ...	80
Do. Maximum over night ...	86
Do. Minimum over night ...	80

#### Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.—

#### VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

Left.	Name.	From.
Feb.		
29,	Grossfurt Constantine,	Hamburg
Mar.		
14,	John A. Briggs,	Cardiff
27,	Agnes Muir,	London
28,	Adam M. Simpson,	Cardiff
Apr.		
6,	Leon,	Liverpool
10,	Spica,	Cardiff
21,	Werra,	London
28,	Triton,	Hamburg
28,	Twilight	New York
27,	Homewood,	Penarth
May.		
2,	Alex Yeats,	Cardiff
6,	Alexander	
11,	Southern Cross,	Penarth
12,	Alex. Newton,	New York
		Newcastle (N.S.W.)
18,	Glamorganshire,	Cardiff
22,	Adolph,	Hamburg
23,	Sunbeam, (s.)	London
28,	Lydia (s.)	Hamburg
30,	Hector (s.)	Liverpool
31,	Newcastle,	Antwerp
June.		
1,	Gorm (s.)	Cuxhaven
4,	Glenlyon (s.)	London.

## Intimations

## NOTICE

## VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

THE Undersigned begs to inform his Friends and the Public generally that he has engaged the Services of a THOROUGHLY QUALIFIED EUROPEAN ASSISTANT, who will attend solely to the DISPENSING DEPARTMENT, hoping thereby to merit in a greater degree their Confidence and Patronage.

WM. CRUCKSHANK.

Hongkong, June 26, 1879.

## NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Section, about 64 miles, of the Company's GUTZLAF NAGASAKI CABLE has been RE-LAID from the South to the North of the PARKER, SADDLES and BARRON ISLANDS in a curve from GUTZLAF to the NORTH SADDLE, running along ELLIOT, CHESNEY and SIDE SADDLE, about 2 miles distant, and from the NORTH SADDLE LIGHT, bearing South, 1 mile distant, in an E. by S. direction about 31 miles, passing the BARRON ISLANDS until these bear W. 2 N. distance 6 miles, when the Cable is again spliced into the old Line running in a straight line about E. N. E. till midway between FALLAS ROCK and MACHIMA (Awa Kari) on the coast of Japan.

GEORGE J. HELLAND,

General Agent.

GENAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY,  
HEAD OFFICE,  
Shanghai, June 20, 1879.

## TAKASIMA MINE.

## NOTICE.

MR. NAKAHARA KUNINOZUKER has been appointed his Sole AGENT for the sale of all COAL produced from the TAKASIMA MINE, and all Purchases of such Coal must be made through him and his representatives on and after the 16th instant.

OOTO SHOJIRO.

Nagasaki, June 13, 1879.

ON and After the 16th instant, my Representatives for the SALE of all COAL produced from the Takasima Mines will be

At Nagasaki,

MR. RYLE HOLME.

At China Port,

Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Or their Agents.  
NAKAHARA KUNINOZUKER,  
Nagasaki, June 13, 1879.

## NOTICE.

## HONGKONG COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE.

THE EXCHANGE ROOMS in MARINE HOUSE, Queen's Road Central, are Open Daily for the use of MEMBERS from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Special Days—TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, from 12 to 12.30 and 4 to 4.30 p.m.  
Applications for admission as Members to be addressed to

E. GEORGE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, June 18, 1879.

## To Let.

## TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GODOWNS AT WANCHAI.  
For Particulars, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.  
Hongkong, July 8, 1879.

## TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, formerly known as the "Blue House," Fray's East—A GROUND FLOOR and A FIRST FLOOR, either separately or together; Also, Top Floor of No. 3. FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.  
Apply to  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, June 3, 1879.

## TO LET.

(On Peddar's Wharf.)

OFFICES, fronting the Harbour, and GODOWNS; with possession from the 1st of July next.  
Apply to

G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, June 14, 1879.

## TO LET.

HOUSES—No. 9, ZETLAND STREET, and No. 7, PEDDAR'S WHARF.  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, April 29, 1879.

"ROSE VILLAS"—FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED,  
BONHAY ROAD.

WITH Large TENNIS LAWN.  
Apply to  
SHARP & DANBY,  
No. 6, Queen's Road Central,  
late Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co.  
Hongkong, May 10, 1879.

## TO LET.

MARINE HOUSE—WEST.  
SECOND FLOOR and a GODOWN.  
OFFICES in Queen's Road, now under the occupation of Messrs WILSON & BIRD, and Messrs DAVIS & Co.  
Also,  
OFFICES and GODOWN in DUNDRELL STREET.  
Apply to  
E. B. SELLINGS.

Hongkong, May 11, 1879.

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THE U. S. Mail Steamship CHINA will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., the 16th instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Fray's Central.

RUSSELL &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 5, 1879.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

## STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

Also,

PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd of July, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. DUMENAY, Commandant DIDIER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 21st of July, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, July 9, 1879.

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

## UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES.

## ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. OCEANIC will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, August 1st, 1879, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 31st July. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight on Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, July 8, 1879.

## INSURANCE.

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

INSURANCES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

MEYER &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 8, 1879.

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

## FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premiums for LIFE Insurance in China.

MEYER &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 2, 1879.

## Insurance.

## ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurance on current rates.

MILNERS &amp; Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 2, 1874.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON &amp; Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## NORTH BRITISH &amp; MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and

Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL \$2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN &amp; Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 8, 1875.

## CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

## NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1875.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

## (FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG &amp; Co.,

Agents, Hongkong &amp; Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £200,000  
Reserve Fund upwards of £200,000  
Annual Income £250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; Co.

Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHER, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked B., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>						
Bombay	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama & Higo	To-day
Charlton	Brit. str.	786	July 8	Melchers & Co.	Yokohama & S. F. Pelco	17th, 3 p.m.
China	Amer. str.	3836	July 9	P. M. S. S. Co.	Golnow & Haiphong	
Conquest	Brit. str.	317	July 13	E-Shun	Bangkok	To-day
Dale	Brit. str.	680	July 13	Yuen Fat Hong	Amoy	To-day
Danbe	Brit. str.	561	July 16	Yuen Fat Hong	Manila	To-day
Diamante	Brit. str.	514	July 16	Russell & Co.		To-day
Emmy	Span. str.	222	July 11	Remedios & Co.		To-day
Fame	Brit. str.	117	July 11	B. K. & W. Poon Dock Co.		To-day
Japan	Brit. str.	1856	July 8	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Singapore, &c.	17th, 3 p.m.
Kiangchow	Brit. str.	305	May 27	Kwok Acheong		
Malacca	Brit. str.	1040	July 12	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	18th inst.
Namoa	Brit. str.	862	July 13	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	18th inst.
Norden	Dan. str.	778	July 8	Stemson & Co.	Saigon	
Norma	Brit. str.	606	May 31	Kwok Acheong		
Ocean	Brit. str.	800	July 6	J. R. Stevens & Co.	Australian Ports	17th inst.
Scotland	Brit. str.	1190	July 8	Russell & Co.		
Sea Gull	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.		
Venice	Amer. str.	1271	July 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	17th, 3 p.m.
Zephyr	Brit. str.	117	July 4	Russell & Co.		
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>						
A. Newton	Brit. bga.	308	July 9	O. & O. S. S. Co.		
Alce O. Dickerman	Amer. Sm. sc.	501	July 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Ann Adamson	Brit. bga.	464	June 26	Kwong Him Woo		
Auguste	Dutch sh.	1808	June 17	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Nagasaki	
Beethoven	Brit. bga.	341	July 12	Melchers & Co.		
Bonita	Ger. Sm. sc.	341	July 11	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Candace	Brit. Sm. sc.	263	July 5	Chitsee		
Canton	Brit. sh.	778	June 8	Chitsee		
Cella	Brit. Sm. sc.	323	July 5	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Channel Queen	Brit. bga.	609	May 24	Edward Schellhass & Co.	London	
Charity	Brit. bga.	432	July 8	Chitsee		
Chasca	Amer. bga.	628	June 18	Bornsoe & Co., Limited	New York	
Clara Babuyan	Polish	558	June 8	Bornsoe & Co., Limited	San Francisco	
Colwyn	Brit. bga.	1160	May 31	Vogel & Co.		
Courier	Fish. bga.	348	July 16	Chitsee		
Edward Barrow	Brit. bga.	958	June 26	Chitsee	Wanchai Pier	
Excelsior	Amer. bga.	593	July 8	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Fabius	Brit. sh.	60	July 11	Stemson & Co.		
Franklin	Brit. sh.	60	July 11	Stemson & Co.		
Fred. P. Litchfield	Amer. bga.	1088	July 11	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Friedrich	Ger. Sm. sc.	295	July 6	Wieler & Co.		
G. O. Truett	Brit. sh.	1629	June 11	Messageries Maritimes	San Francisco	Cleared
Gauntlet	Brit. bga.	606	May 17	Vogel & Co.	London	
Gednie Bruns	Ger. bga.	402	July 11	Wieler & Co.		
Goliath	Dan. sh.	542	June 8	Chitsee		
Halene	Brit. bga.	372	June 23	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Hieronimus	Brit. bga.	435	July 12	Wieler & Co.	Chitsee	
Highlander	Amer. sh.	1852	June 18	Vogel & Co.		
Hopwell	Brit. bga.	578	July 10	Chitsee		
Irene	Amer. sh.	481	May 16	Russell & Co.	New York	
Johann Friedrich	Brit. bga.	242	July 9	Wieler & Co.		
John C. Munro	Brit. bga.	612	June 23	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Kim Yung Tye	Brit. bga.	229	July 11	Chitsee		
Lucky	Brit. bga.	424	June 9	Chitsee		
Margrethe	Brit. bga.	387	July 8	Wieler & Co.	Newchwang	
Marguila of Argyl	Brit. bga.	500	June 11	Rosario & Co.	Higo	
Miriam	Amer. sh.	598	June 16	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Monte Rosa	Amer. sh.	1818	June 16	Vogel & Co.	Higo	
Montana	Brit. sh.	78	July 8	Stemson & Co.	Chitsee	
N. N.	Amer. Sm. sc.	687	June 14	Rosario & Co.	Chitsee	
Norwegian	Dut. Sm. sc.	176	June 17	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Higo	
Norwegian	Slam. sh.	717	June 8	Chitsee	Tientsin	
Palos	Fish. bga.	842	July 16	Carlowitz & Co.		
Prince Arthur	Brit. bga.	296	June 6	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Sourabaya & Batavia	
M. Hayward	Amer. Sm. sc.	605	June 28	Mayer & Co.		
Spid	Brit. bga.	429	June 8	Chitsee		
Demian	Brit. bga.	740	June 19	Order		
Chinese Crown	Slam. sh.	539	June 22	Chitsee		
Smith American	Amer. sh.	1762	June 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Matra	Amer. sh.	1080	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.		
Lee	Ger. bga.	256	July 6	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Loon Kramon	Slam. bga.	474	June 26	Stemson & Co.	Hollo	
Loon of Doon	Brit. bga.	669	June 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Bangkok	
Glant	Amer. sh.	1800	June 11	Russell & Co.		
Undering Minstrel	Brit. bga.	381	July 11	Chang Woo		
William Phillips	Amer. bktime.	692	July 8	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
<b>WAMPONG</b>						
Antis	Fish. bga.	256	July 6	Carlowitz & Co.		
Upmann	Ger. bga.	426	July 9	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Agenda	Ger. bga.	.....	June 30	Captain	Honolulu	
Anna Smidt	Ger. bga.	433	July 14	Melchers & Co.		
Anna	Brit. bga.	472	July 12	Captain		
Lee	Ger. bga.	350	July 7	Stemson & Co.		
<b>CANTON</b>						
Linkang	Brit. str.	799	July 14	Stemson & Co.	Shanghai	